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Cathie:

Doris is to call us with a time for
WNH to meet with Mr. Casey on the attached
(which WNH said to hold until that meeting)
DCI went to Europe and the meeting will
probably be scheduled sometime the week of
23 February.

M. Hugel attended

Karen/12 Feb 81 *ADDA 3 March 1100*
P.S. (over) *30 minutes*

Mr. Hart would like a "pre" meeting set up with Tom White and [redacted] of IPD to discuss Presidential papers and the executive position on systematic declassification prior to the meeting Doris will call you on--prior meaning a day or two before the BIG one. He said to allow about 1/2 hour.

ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

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SUBJECT: (Optional)

Request from the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library

FROM:

William N. Hart
Acting DDA

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TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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OFFICER'S INITIALS

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This concerns a recent contact with the Ford Presidential Library, of which you should be aware.

*Do we have to put this in a public library
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*To 2: As DDA
not, about. He would like to meet with the General Counsel & advise*

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FILE: security-4-1

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: William N. Hart
Acting Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT: Request from Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library

1. This is to provide needed background information in the event that you receive a telephone call from former President Ford.

STAT 2. On 5 February 1981, [] Deputy Chief of the Information and Privacy Division (IPD), received a telephone call from Dennis Daellenbach, an archivist with the Ford Library. Mr. Daellenbach asked that the Agency expedite the mandatory classification review of one of the documents sent to the Agency in September 1980, a 25 December 1974 memorandum from Henry A. Kissinger to then President Ford summarizing the contents of former DCI William Colby's report to the President on questionable CIA activities. (A copy of this document is attached.) Mr. Daellenbach stated that Mr. Ford wanted the memorandum included in the exhibits when the Ford Museum and Library is formally dedicated in September 1981. A number of dignitaries are expected to attend the ceremonies; Mr. Daellenbach mentioned the names of President Reagan, President Carter, Anwar Sadat, Pierre Trudeau, and Helmut Schmidt. The Library would have to have the Kissinger memorandum back by July, at the latest, to include it in the exhibit.

STAT 3. [] explained that, in keeping with the principle established in the Open America case, it was the Agency's policy to handle all requests on a first-in, first-out basis. Since our most backlogged component, the Directorate of Operations (DDO), was one of the organizations which would have to review the document, it would probably be at least another year before processing could be completed. Under guidelines promulgated by the Office of General Counsel (OGC), requests could be moved out of queue for priority processing only for pressing humanitarian reasons or because of pending litigation. In addition, an exception has been made in the past in at least one instance when completion of the request was essential to public debate of an issue (nuclear proliferation) critical to the national interest. [] promised to bring the matter to the attention of OGC, but opined that the reasons offered for expediting action did not appear to meet the Agency's criteria. Mr. Daellenbach noted that President Ford had offered to contact the heads of agencies personally if this would help.

STAT 4. After consulting with [] of OGC, the author of the guidelines, [] called Mr. Daellenbach and informed him that OGC was of the opinion that the circumstances did not warrant expeditious handling under the Agency's guidelines. (A copy of the guidelines is attached.) [] stated, however, that if the Director of Central Intelligence ordered that this action be taken, they would, of course, comply.

/s/ William N. Hart

William N. Hart

Attachments:

- A. Copy of Request From Ford Library
- B. Copy of Guidelines on Expedited Processing

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